

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

MARIA ENCAR ARNOLD,  
  
Plaintiff,  
  
v.  
  
NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND  
SPACE ADMINISTRATION,  
  
Defendant.

Case No. 1:20-cv-01372-NONE-BAM  
  
ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFF'S SECOND  
REQUEST TO FILE ELECTRONICALLY  
  
(Doc. 9)

Marie Encar Arnold ("Plaintiff"), proceeding pro se, filed a complaint on September 28, 2020. (Doc. No. 1.) On October 26, 2020, Plaintiff filed a motion seeking the Court's permission to file documents electronically through the CM/ECF system. (Doc. No. 5.) On November 10, 2020, the Court issued an Order Denying Plaintiff's Request to File Electronically. (Doc. No. 7.) On November 23, 2020, Plaintiff filed a Motion to Grant Permission for Electronic Case Filing. (Doc. No. 9.)

Pursuant to the Local Rules, a pro se party shall file and serve paper documents and may not utilize electronic filing unless granted permission by the Court. L.R. 133(a)-(b). A pro se party may request an exception to the paper filing requirement from the court by filing a stipulation of the parties, or "if a stipulation cannot be had, [a] written motion[] setting out an

1 explanation of reasons for the exception.” L.R. 133(b)(3).

2 Upon review of the pleadings in this action and the motion submitted, the Court again  
3 finds that the request does not warrant an exception to the Local Rule. In the denial of Plaintiff’s  
4 first request for electronic filing, the Court denied the request because Plaintiff failed to provide  
5 the Court with an explanation of the reasons for granting an exception. Again, Plaintiff has failed  
6 to provide an explanation as to why an exception should be granted. Plaintiff instead submitted a  
7 motion that provided almost the exact same information as the previous request. (Doc. No. 9.) As  
8 part of the application, Plaintiff attests that she has reviewed the requirements for e-filing,  
9 however, she also states that she has reviewed the requirements for the Southern District of New  
10 York. *Id.* Given this, the application does not comply with the requirement to submit a motion  
11 explaining the reasons for an exception.

12 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiff’s second motion for permission  
13 for electronic filing is DENIED.

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15 IT IS SO ORDERED.

16 Dated: November 30, 2020

17 /s/ Barbara A. McAuliffe  
18 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
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